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**No. 1478**

S. P. 541

In Senate, April 20, 1955

Reported by Mr. Boyker of Oxford from the Committee on Public Health and printed under Joint Rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to Purposes of the Associated Hospital Service of Maine  
(Blue Cross, Blue Shield).**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1939, c. 24, § 3, amended.** Section 3 of chapter 24 of the private and special laws of 1939 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 3. Purposes.** To establish, maintain and operate a nonprofit hospital service plan, whereby hospital care may be provided by hospitals or groups of hospitals with which this corporation has a contract for such purpose, to such ~~of the public persons or groups of persons~~ as become subscribers to said plan under a contract which entitles each subscribers to certain hospital care, and the hospital or hospitals so contracting with this corporation shall be governed by this section and shall be exempt from all other provisions of the insurance laws of this state, unless otherwise specifically provided herein.'

**Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1939, c. 24, § 3-B, additional.** Chapter 24 of the private and special laws of 1939, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 3-B, to read as follows:

**'Sec. 3-B. Contracts with other corporations.** This corporation may contract with any similar corporations in other states for the joint administration of their business and may enter into reciprocal arrangements for the mutual benefit of their subscribers.'